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LITTLE BOAR'S HEAD DISTRICT

Annual Report

1946 - 1947

August 24, 1947

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OFFICERS FOR 1946-1947

Moderator, WILLIAM P. FOWLER

Clerk, BLANCHE H. BOYNTON

Commissioners,
- WILLIAM P. FOWLER
- MARION STOTT
- ROBERT A. SOUTHWORTH

Treasurer, BERTHA E. APPLETON

Auditor, MARLAND D. KNOWLES

Zoning Board of Adjustment
- MARLAND D. KNOWLES
- ROBERT A. SOUTHWORTH
- BLANCHE H. BOYNTON
- EDWARD R. HALE *(Chairman)*
- ARTHUR L. HOBSON*
- ELLEN C. B. DANILOFF**

Zoning Inspector, WILLIAM P. FOWLER

*—Died Nov. 9, 1946.

**—Appointed Dec. 9, 1946.

District Warrant

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE—ROCKINGHAM, SS.

To the Inhabitants of Little Boar's Head District, a village district in the Town of North Hampton, organized under provision of Chapter 196, Session Laws of 1905, qualified to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to attend the annual meeting of said District to be held at the residence of Marion Stott, on the Ocean Boulevard and Willow Avenue in said District, on the first Tuesday of September next (the 2nd day of the month), at eight o'clock in the evening (8.00 P. M.), Daylight Saving Time, for the following purposes:

1. To elect a moderator, a clerk, three commissioners, a treasurer, and an auditor for the ensuing year.

2. To hear the reports of the clerk, treasurer, and other officers of said District, and to take such action as may be desired in regard to same.

3. To take such action as you may desire in regard to allowing the same discount on district taxes as is allowed by the Town of North Hampton on town taxes.

4. To raise such sum of money as may be needed for the extinguishment of fires, the lighting of streets, the planting and care of shade and ornamental trees, the supply of water for domestic and fire purposes, the construction and maintenance of sidewalks and main drains or common sewers, the construction, maintenance and care of parks or commons, the maintenance of activities for recreational promotion, the appointing and employing of watchmen and police officers, the enacting and enforcing of zoning regulations, and all other district expenses.

5. To take such action as you may desire in regard to giving the Treasurer of the District authority to borrow money in anticipation of taxes collectable during the ensuing year.

6. To see if the District is in favor of continuing its mosquito prevention program of the current year.

7. To transact such other business as may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands this 16th day of August, A.D., 1947.

WILLIAM P. FOWLER,
MARION STOTT,
ROBERT A. SOUTHWORTH,

Commissioners of Little Boar's Head District.

We hereby certify that on the 16th day of August, 1947, we posted a true and attested copy of the above warrant on the electric light pole on Willow Avenue opposite the place of said meeting, and a like copy on a telephone pole near the junction of Atlantic Avenue and Sea Road, public places in said District.

WILLIAM P. FOWLER,
MARION STOTT,
ROBERT A. SOUTHWORTH,

Commissioners of Little Boar's Head District.

(All property owners as well as voters of the district are asked to attend the annual meeting.)

Commissioners' Report

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I. *Sidewalks:* The plank walk at Bass Beach was taken down early last fall, so that we suffered no loss when the barrier beach was washed out by severe storms last winter. The rocks here were put back into place by the State Highway Department, which also re-enforced the banking under the Head, where it had been washed out at the end of Atlantic Avenue. Other work on sidewalks included: repairs to concrete walks on Atlantic Avenue and the Sea Road, and next to the Bath Houses; replacing the gravel walk where it was washed out at the Fish Houses; installing a new guard rail at Fox Hill Point; and clearing the walks in the spring.

II. *Parks and Commons:* Our share of maintenance of the Rock Garden at the Fish Houses was reduced from $200 to $150 this year, the balance being assumed by the Garden Club, which took charge of the work here. We feel that this garden is a great asset to the community.

The picking up of papers, glass, etc., throughout the District has been attended to by boys and a group of children at the District's expense. Unless this work is carried out regularly by the District, the parking area and roadsides would soon become most unsightly.

III. *Policing:* Because the traffic on Willow Avenue had become very heavy in the summer, the experiment was tried this year of making this road "One Way" from the entrance of Alvan T. Fuller, Jr.'s house to the north end of the road. This has caused some inconvenience to people living on the road, and there have been some violations of the "One Way" ordinance, but we feel that the overall traffic has been greatly reduced, and the safety of this road increased.

A number of "Caution, Children" signs have been purchased from the State and set up throughout the District.

Winter watchman service was continued last winter as in the past.

IV. *Mosquito Control:* In an effort to alleviate the mosquito problem this year, your commissioners investigated several control methods, including spraying from the air, ditching of the marshes and woodlands, and spraying from the ground. Aerial spraying proved too expensive; ditching was too slow and, with labor costs what they are, too expensive; and a form of application of DDT from the ground was finally decided on. This method involved the use of a turbine mist blower (a large fan blowing through a gun) mounted on the back of a truck operated by a firm of tree surgeons, the Ralston Tree Service of Portsmouth, N. H. This device blows a mixture of 6 per cent DDT in a zylene and kerosene solution about 300 feet. The blower truck was run through all the passable roads in the Village District spraying both sides of the roads and as far into the marches and woods as it would reach.

Three sprays have been made to date, one on June 21, one on July 26, and one on August 13. The total cost of our program including the three sprays and incidental expenses will be $166.

No scientific evaluation of the results has been possible, due to the fact that "mosquito traps," which determine the actual count of the number of mosquitoes in an area, have not been made available to us by the University of New Hampshire until late in August. However, with few exceptions we believe the residents of the area have been well pleased with the results. The mosquitoes have not been completely eliminated, but there has been a marked reduction in mosquitoes this summer. Our neighboring towns are also taking steps along these lines, and we feel the overall results are satisfying.

V. *Fire Protection:* Two severe fires occurred in this District this past year. *The first* was during the winter, in Charles Garland's cottage on the Ocean Boulevard, under severe freezing conditions and in a northwest snowstorm. The blaze was so far advanced when discovered that the building was nearly completely gutted; but the fire was put out by the North Hampton Fire Department, with the use of one of our hydrants, in time to save much of the building and the surrounding structures.

The second fire occurred last April, in the form of an automobile fire in the garage in William Fowler's barn, caused by a short circuit in the wiring of his car. This was discovered in time to save the barn, although the car was a total loss. Here again the fire was efficiently extinguished by the North Hampton Fire Department with the use of one of our hydrants.

Residents are again reminded that in case of fire, the North Hampton Fire Department should be summoned by telephone, after which one of the District's two hose reels may be brought to the fire by available volunteers. These reels are kept in our Fire House on the Sea Road and in Governor Fuller's stable on Willow Avenue.

VI. *Zoning:* Following the annual meeting last September, William P. Fowler resigned as a member of the Board of Adjustment; and your commissioners appointed Edward R. Hale for the balance of Mr. Fowler's term expiring in September, 1948. Marland D. Knowles was re-appointed to the Board of Adjustment for a five-year term; and William P. Fowler was appointed Zoning Inspector for one year.

Following the death of Arthur L. Hobson last November, your commissioners appointed Ellen C. B. Daniloff to the Board of Adjustment for the balance of his term expiring this September.

Various zoning problems have arisen this past winter and spring. After extended hearings, the Board of Adjustment denied permission to a prospective lessee

to operate the ice cream stand of Robert H. Sawyer, but granted permission to Mr. Sawyer himself with appropriate safeguards. Permission to erect a portable building as a studio for the sale of paintings in the Residential Zoning District was denied.

The Board also denied permission to Olive Langley Ring to erect further overnight cabins, but granted her permission to operate a Tea House on her new lot in the Business Zoning District. Other matters have been handled as they arose by the Zoning Inspector, without appeal to the Board of Adjustment.

VII. *District Taxes:* The District's tax rate for the past year was $3.00 for each thousand dollars of tax valuation. From this rate we shall soon receive from the Town a total of $2,775.68, less $132.66 discount allowed for payment prior to August 5, 1947, or net revenue of $2,643.02. Our expenditures for the past year came to a total of $2,022.02. We are confident that in spite of rising labor costs our present District tax rate will not have to be increased.

VIII. *Annual Meeting:* It is hoped that as many voters and taxpayers as possible (including summer residents) will attend the District meeting next Tuesday, September 2, at the residence of Marion Stott at 8 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM P. FOWLER,
MARION STOTT,
ROBERT A. SOUTHWORTH,

Commissioners of Little Boar's Head District.

24 August 1947.

Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

August 22, 1946, balance in treasury		$2,075.92
From Interest on Deposits:		
New Hampshire Savings Bank to January 1, 1947	$19.42	
Portsmouth Savings Bank to April 1, 1947	5.13	
		$24.55
From Town of North Hampton:		
Amount of uncollected tax at the close of fiscal year of 1946		$558.97
From Miscellaneous Sources:		
William P. Fowler, sale of District Maps		$2.00
GRAND TOTAL		$2,661.44

EXPENDITURES

Fire Protection

Hampton Water Works Company, six months' hydrant rental to June 30, 1947	$470.00	
Hampton Water Works Company, six months' hydrant rental to December 31, 1947	470.00	
Herbert S. Knowles, snow removal from fire house and hydrants, winter of 1946-1947	8.70	
		$948.70

Sidewalks

Joshua F. Drake, removal of boardwalk and benches, winter protection, 1946-1947	$73.50	
Joshua F. Drake, guard rail at Fox Hill Point and replacing boardwalk	199.95	
Harry E. Carter, cement sidewalk repairs	170.40	
Harry A. Naves, painting guard rail at Fox Hill Point	9.30	
Eugene M. Leavitt, gravel and labor, sidewalk by fish houses	8.50	
Herbert S. Knowles, clearing sidewalks, winter debris	9.90	
		$471.55

Police Service

Herbert S. Knowles, winter watchman, 1946-1947, four months, from December to March, inclusive		$60.00

Mosquito Control

Robert A. Southworth, form and mimeographed letters, postage, relative to program for Mosquito Control	$6.91	
Ralston Tree Service, Inc., spraying equipment, two applications	105.00	
Robert A. Southworth, man to assist in spraying	3.00	
		$114.91

Parks and Commons

Cleaning beach and parking area of papers and collecting rubbish after close of fiscal year ending August 22, 1946	$56.80	

Robert A. Southworth, expense of painting lamp post and improving circle near fish houses, fitting light bulbs and putting up "One Way" signs	7.24	
Robert A. Southworth, Rand-Pickering Express, C.O.D. bill for light bulbs for district	4.79	
Mrs. W. J. Manson, district's share of expense of planting and care of Rock Garden	150.00	
Alan Marston and his helpers for cleaning beach and parking areas of papers, summer of 1947 to close of fiscal year ending August 21	98.76	
Peter Swanson, cleaning beach and parking areas of papers	14.25	
		$331.84

Miscellaneous

Exeter News-Letter Company, printing annual reports of 1945-1946	$39.00	
New Hampshire National Bank, service charge	.60	
Exeter News-Letter Company, public notice of hearing, Zoning Board, May 23, 1946	4.50	
The Portsmouth Herald, public notice of hearing, Zoning Board	9.38	
Hilda R. Woodworth, stenographer, hearing of Zoning Board, services and mileage	8.65	
L. G. Cate, painting and lettering traffic arrows	3.00	
The Portsmouth Herald, public notice of hearing, Zoning Board	16.89	

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